

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Medical & Health Department – Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon & Professor of Medicine – Allegations of corruption – Disciplinary proceedings initiated – Penalty of withholding of 5% pension for a period of three years – Awarded – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (VC-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 146

Dated:22-06-2010

Read the following:-

- 1) From the Director General, ACB, Hyderabad, Letter No. 51/DES-CR.2/98-S1, dated 11.9.1998.
- 2) G.O. Rt. No. 1071, Health Medical & Family Welfare (A1) Department, dated 25.06.1999.
- 3) Explanation from Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon, Dated 09.08.1999.
- 4) Memo. No. 28242/A1/98-5, Health Medical & Family Welfare (A1) Department, dated 27.09.1999.
- 5) From the Inquiring Authority, Inquiry Report, dt. 07.01.2004.
- 6) Government Memo. No. 28242/VC.I(2)/98-4, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 13.4.2005.
- 7) From Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon (Retd.), letter dt. 30.06.2005.
- 8) Memo. No. 28242/VC.I(2)/98, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 21.12.2009.
- 9) From Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon (Retd.), representation, dated 23.12.2009.
- 10) Government Letter No. 28242/VC.I(2)/98, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 26.03.2010.
- 11) From the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad, Letter No. 611/RT-I/1/2010, dated 03.06.2010.

ORDER:

On credible information that Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon, Fever Hospital, Nallakunta has been committing irregularities in issue of physical fitness certificates appearing for A.P. Public Service Commission Group.I examinations, the Anti Corruption Bureau officials have conducted surprise check on the said hospital on 24.7.1998 and submitted a report stating that Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon is insisting and collecting Rs. 50/- each from the candidates appearing for APPSC Group.I examinations for issuing physical fitness certificates which is illegal and unbecoming of a public servant. Therefore, it has been recommended to initiate departmental action against him. The said recommendation of the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau has been accepted and in G.O. second read above, Government initiated departmental action under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, against Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon, Fever Hospital, on the said allegations and charges have been framed. In the reference third cited, the Charged Officer submitted his explanation denying the charge. Therefore, a regular enquiry was ordered. In the meanwhile, the Charged Officer retired from service in the year 2003, without prejudice to the departmental proceedings pending against him.

2. In the reference fifth read above, the Inquiring Authority has submitted the Inquiry Report holding that statements of Sri Ravikumar and Sri G. Venkateswarlu revealed that Dr. Satyanarayana, has taken Rs. 50/- and issued physical fitness certificates without examining the candidates and that the inquiry could not be completed because of non cooperation of Dr. K. Satyanarayana and others viz., Sri T. Narasimhulu, Sri K. Jagadeswara Reddy, Sri K. Raja Reddy and Sri A. Subba Reddy. The findings of the Inquiring Authority have been accepted and

Government have taken a provisional decision to award withholding pension of 5% for a period of three years against Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon (Retd.) and in the reference sixth cited, a show cause notice was issued to the Delinquent Officer, to make representation, if any, against the provisional decision. In his representation seventh cited, the Delinquent Officer sought for extension of time for one month for submitting his explanation. But, he did not submit the same. Therefore, in Govt. Memo. eighth cited, he was directed submit his explanation, if any, in the matter within one week and if no reply is received within the stipulated time, it will be construed that he has no explanation to offer and further action will be taken based on the material available. He was further informed that no further extension of time will be granted for submission of explanation. In response, in his application, dated 23.12.2009, the Accused Officer has submitted that as per the G.O. available in A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Hyderabad, a Civil Surgeon can charge Rs. 50/- for issuing Physical Fitness certificate and requested to verify the same and also requested to give two weeks time for submission of Copy of the G.O. But, so far no reply is received from him.

3. In the letter dated 1.4.1999, the Commissioner, APVVP has reported that the Civil Surgeon can charge Rs. 40/- for issue of physical fitness certificate out of which Rs. 20/- is the share of the Doctor. Full amount collected should be credited to Bank Account of APVVP and the share of Doctor should be drawn by miscellaneous bill separately. Therefore, collection of Rs. 50/- for issue of Physical fitness certificate by Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon (Retd.) is not in accordance with the instructions and there was no G.O. authorizing the Civil Surgeon to charge Rs. 50/- for issuing physical fitness certificate.

4. Having regard to the facts of the case and material available, Government came to a conclusion that the Delinquent Officer is playing delay tactics and therefore, the provisional decision to award penalty of withholding of 5% pension for a period of three years be confirmed. Accordingly, in the reference tenth read above, the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission has been requested to obtain and communicate the concurrence of the Commission on the provisional decision taken by the Government. In the Letter eleventh read above, the Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission has informed that after careful examination of the disciplinary case and in the light of the records made available, Commission agreed with the proposal of the Government to impose punishment of 5% cut in pension for 3 years against Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon & Professor of Medicine (Retd.) and advised accordingly.

5. Government, therefore, hereby award a penalty of withholding of 5% pension for a period of three years against Dr. K. Satyanarayana, Civil Surgeon & Professor of Medicine (Retd.).

6. The Director of Medical Education, A.P., shall take necessary further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Director of Medical Education, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Accountant-General, A.P., Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER